

You Can Be a Wizard of An Artist in a Garden

We can't all be painters and we can't all be musicians, but we can all develop our own private type of artistic ability when it comes to planning the colors in our garden.

The simplest garden can contain only one type of flower in one color, but that's not much fun. Slight variations can be had by selecting a mixed packet of zinnia seed described as containing shades of pink. This would provide subtle contrast.

The next logical and more advanced step would be to select other flowers in shades of pink to combine with the zinnias such as snapdragons, China aster, dianthus, petunias, Phlox Drummondii, cleome, larkspur, dianthus and others.

BY COMBINING more than one type of flower, we gain more than color interest alone as there will be considerable variation in plant and flower form.

Combining several colors in a garden is fascinating. Flower colors seldom clash, but a carefully arranged color harmony stands out as something extra special.

The same combinations you admire in clothes or in your home furnishings will combine well in the garden.

Try blues and purples with yellows and orange. A few examples include blue bachelor buttons or purple China asters with yellow or orange African marigolds; blue cymoglossum with yellow galliardia; purple petunia and orange gazania; Salvia farinacea with bright zinnias.

BRIGHT REDS are useful for accents and combine well with white and blue... red zinnias, blue cymoglossum and white cosmos.

White flowers are useful throughout the garden as they lend a softening note, as do gray foliage plants such as dianthus and dusty miller. Delicate sprays of flowers like that of baby's breath have a similar effect.

In planning the border, keep in mind that groupings should be made large. Each area should be several feet in diameter and of uneven shape rather than a perfect circle.

If groups are made too small, the appearance will be spotty. Each group of a given plant should be repeated several times.

If a border of annuals can be made against a background of shrubs or by a wall or fence, the flowers will show to best advantage. If this is not possible, plan to use some really tall flowers in the rear such as hollyhocks, cleome, the tallest snapdragons or giant zinnias.

In a mixed border a good rule of thumb is to plant the tallest flowers to the rear, the medium tall plants in the center and the low ones along the edge. However, don't take this so literally that the rows look like soldiers or a planting of vegetables.

Let the groups flow one into another with some of the medium-tall plants coming right up into the foreground. This creates bay or pockets and prevents monotony.

When your garden comes into full bloom, it's bound to be beautiful. But if you're like most gardeners, you'll see flaws that you can improve next year.

Perhaps the variety of zinnias you chose were too tall and the snapdragons in the rear, or the gazanias flowered so late that the color combination you had planned didn't work out.

No matter! With careful notes your next year's garden will be perfect in both color and form.

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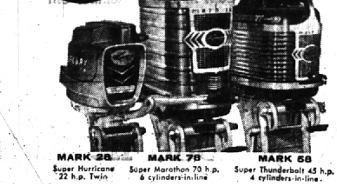
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